six months however, 3 cases were filed in Courts in different parts of the country under the old ISI Certification Marks Act. These cases have not so far been disposed of by the concerned courts.

Major Irrigation projects in Maharashtra

2219. SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA JAYAWANTRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question No. 75 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th November, 1986 and state:

(a) what is the total number of major irrigation projects in Maharashtra; and

(b) what is the number of such major projects which are pending before the Central Government for clearance as on date?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The number of ongoing major irrigation projects in Maharashtra is 42.

(b) 19 ongoing major projects await clearance while report of one project has not been received.

Death of Cattle due to Rinderpest Disease

2220. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times of the 8th April, 1987 to the effect that more than 700 cattle had succumbed to the deadly rinder pest disease while more than 2200 were affected in Surat City and parts of Olpad taluka;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government have taken so far to save the cattle from this disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the outbreak in Surat city which started on 12th December, 1986 a total of 2616 cattle and buffaloes were affected till 17th April, 1987 killing 718 of them. In some other parts of Surat district including Olpad taluka 23 outbreaks of rinderpest occurred affecting 460 cattle and buffaloes and killing 154 of them. Apart from this the neighbouring districts of Bulsar and Bhrooch were also affected during this period in four outbreaks killing 48 of the 74 affected animals.

(c) In the wake of these outbreaks the State Government have vaccinated 11,107 animals and given treatment to 951 others in the above districts, and as a whole 1.90 lakh animals were vaccinated in the State. The Government of India have sent an Expert Team from the Indian Veterinary Research Institute to advise and render help to the State Government in this context.

Change of Quarters in the DIZ Area on Medical Grounds

2221. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of employees of the Directorate of Estates, category-wise who have been allotted a permitted change of Government accommodation on the ground floor only in the D.I.Z. area New Delhi during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Central Government employees working in other Ministries/Departments are not given a change on the ground floor even on medical grounds;

(c) what was the number of cases for a change which had been rejected on medical grounds, category-wise, during the last two years; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that Parliament Secretariat Pool quarters in D Sector Mandir Marg have been converted

into General pool and allotted to the employees of Directorate of Estates when employees working on other Ministries are not granted this change, if so, what are the reasons and grounds therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Type 'B'—4

Type 'C'—1

(b) and (c) Each request for change to ground floor is considered on merit and decision taken with the approval of the competent authority. However, no statistics of rejected cases are being maintained.

(d) No such case has come to our notice.

Diversion of Funds from Tribal Development in Orissa

2222. SHRI BASUDEV MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the Orissa Government had diverted large sums of money from the Tribal Sub-Plan fund during the Sixth Five Year Plan Period; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMONGO): (a) No such case of diversion of large sums of money from Tribal Sub-Plan has come to the notice of Government.

(b) Does not arise.

Sale and Resale of Land of Rajpur Cemetary in Delhi

2223. SHRI KRISHAN KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the business presently going on the selling and re-selling of the encroached land of Rajpur cemetary in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether Government have made any inquiry into the encroachment on the cemetary land and its illegal sale by the encroachers; and

(c) if so, what is the outcome thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Some encroachments were noticed around site No. 62 mentioned as "Gora Cemetary" situated opposite Patel Chest Institute in Maurice Nagar.

(b) and (c) After site enquiries the DDA have lodged reports about these encroachments with the local police Station and the action is under process.

Collapse of Concrete Structure of Second Hooghly Bridge

2224. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a massive concrete structure of the second Hooghly bridge constructed by the Hindustan Steelworks Construction Limited as the main contractor had recently collapsed;

(b) whether it is also a fact that in another such incident of collapse on the same bridge last year the Hindustan Steelworks Construction Limited was held responsible for the mishap;

(c) if so, whether Government have made any inquiry into the present mishap; and

(d) if so, what is the outcome thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) In the process of installation, a prestressed concrete girder on the Calcutta side of the approach to Hooghly bridge toppled on one side and fell down on the ground on 31-3-87.